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SIR:

In response to the Notice of July 29, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit herewith an amendment, a Substitute Sequence Listing, and a computer-readable Sequence Listing.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 13 (Abstract), after the last line, on the next page, please delete the Sequence Listing in its entirety and insert the Substitute Sequence Listing attached hereto.